

## TOWN AND COUNTY TATTLE

MUNICIPAL AND RURAL FACTS, FANCIES, ODDS AND ENDS TERSLEY TOLD.

## NEWSY NOTES AND BIRY NOthings

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Shows plenty.  
Shad still scarce.  
Advertise, grow great.  
Plant celery and prosper.  
Now, a happy New Year to all.  
C. E. Lewis, of Lake City, was in town Monday.

A new and attractive sign has been placed in front of the Graham Hotel.

F. H. Hafer, the real estate man, is back from a business trip to Kentucky.

Go to Smith's for Hot Drinks, Chocolate, Cram and Tomato Bouillon and Beef Tea.

The post office and both banks holidayed yesterday in regulation fashion.

A new wooden side walk has been put down on the west side of Fearnside's store.

J. B. Enecks, a prominent citizen of Orange Springs, was a visitor to the city Friday.

What is nicer for a Xmas present than one of those fine Rockers or Morris Chairs at GERBER'S. de5t

Only a few gobsblers remain to tell the mournful tale of Christmas and New Year extermination.

The ADVERTISER wishes every man, woman and child in Putnam county a happy New Year.

You may get everything you need in House Furnishings, from the attic to the cellar, at RYAN'S. ma23

The Welch building in the North End is being scraped preparatory to receiving a new dress of paint.

Dr. Rosenberg and family have returned from a visit to relatives in Jacksonville embracing Christmas week.

Mayor Stephens' justice dispensary is doing a land office business, too much Christmas being responsible therefor.

Tune up your system—drive out the chills and fever—make yourself well with PAGO. For sale by Ackerman & Stewart. je12-1f

The Christmas holidays having gone glimmering, the old town relapses into its accustomed business and social rut.

Gay Bros. are moving into their handsome new quarters in the Graham block. It will require several weeks to accomplish the huge job.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Roberts, of Appalachicola, spent the Christmas holidays at Melrose, Francis and Palatka, and left Tuesday morning for home.

FOR SALE.—A manufacturing business, small capital, none like it, large profit. Inquire of Wm. J. Stoltz, No. 318, Palatka. 26-2t

A fleet of three schooners are anchored in the roadstead receiving cargoes of lumber from the Wilson Cypress Co. They arrived in port Tuesday night.

The families of John Q. Tilghman and H. O. Hamm left Tuesday afternoon on the steamer LeReve on a pleasure trip for several days on the upper St. Johns.

When you want the best fresh OYSTERS, by the quart or any other way, get them at Robt. James' restaurant. oc31tf

Monte Cristo at Fry's opera house to-night. Go if you wish to see a celebrated play and story artistically exemplified. Tickets on sale at the usual place.

Miss Isabella Jones, a charming and accomplished young lady of Cincinnati, arrived in the city Friday on a visit to the family of her mother.

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The front of Parker's tin shop and the store room adjoining on the north side has just received a fresh coat of paint, which is a decided and pleasing transformation to say the least of it.

The event of the season will be the K. of P. public installation at the armory next Thursday evening. It will be a sumptuous and elaborate affair, over 400 invitations having been issued.

How about that "new leaf" you "turned over" yesterday and registered a good resolution thereon for 1902? Has the said "new leaf" been torn out of the record of life and the pledge forgotten? Keep it at least a week.

Just received a fresh supply of Limburger, Swiss and Neufchatel Cheese; imported Milcher Herring, etc., at Robt. James' restaurant. Will make special prices on Herring by the keg. oc31tf

Geo. Wheeler, a prominent Floridomite and a staunch friend and comitment of the people's paper, was in the city Tuesday on business. He came in and renewed his allegiance to the newist and best sheet in the county for a year.

As the ADVERTISER gang took a day off Christmas, the dissipation and gormandizing consequent upon such an occasion in a great measure accounts for the appearance of the sheet this issue and the paucity of startling, hair-raising news items.

Call on M. J. MURPHY for the finest Wines and Liquors. Jug trade a specialty. Send for price list.

Tourists when at Palatka have always admired the beautifully kept grounds surrounding the H. L. Hart mansion. The property is now in the market and is in charge of Mr. Walter Thomas, one of the most popular gentlemen in the Gem City. St. Augustine Record.

PAGO, the New Liver Cure, does what it is advertised to do. It will repair disordered liver, or your money back. For sale by Ackerman & Stewart. jy12tf

J. H. Collins, formerly of this place but now of Jacksonville and a member of a prominent furniture firm, was in town Friday and made arrangements to have the people's paper enlighten him upon affairs in Palatka and Putnam county for a year.

Anyone desiring the services of an expert piano tuner may leave orders at Bond's Racket Store. Prof. A. J. Fosket is in the city for a few days only for this purpose. He is connected with Ludden & Bates' Music House, Savannah, Ga., and J. A. Abrams, of Gainesville.

If you want to see something that will strike you as being uncommonly beautiful, just ride or walk to the western extremity of Lemon street and take a squint at Rogero's bearing orange grove. It is strengthening to weak eyes and the stroll or drive conduces to longevity.

Just received at Miss Kate L. Lucas' a fine line of Christmas Novelties. Call on her before purchasing elsewhere. Extensive assortment of Ladies' Kid Gloves, all colors, sizes and prices. del2tf

The Advertiser Job Office is better prepared now than at any time since its establishment to execute in plain or elegant style printing for all purposes promptly and at prices consistent with up-to-date workmanship and first-class stock. Commercial printing, booklets, catalogues, price lists and everything else solicited in the printing line.

BARDIN BROS., dealers in Fresh and Salt Water Fish, Oysters, Clams and Shrimp in season. Poultry, Eggs, etc. All orders promptly and carefully filled; free delivery. Next door to Murray's Lard shop.

Arthur Keller, for several years the popular and efficient head clerk in Rowton's stationery store, left Saturday afternoon for Hubbard, Texas, where he has a position in a hotel of which his brother-in-law is proprietor. Arthur has numerous friends in Palatka who regret much to see him go, but who wish him abundant success in his new home.

M. J. Murphy's orange grove in his residence in the West thing of beauty and its

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Capt. J. E. Lucas, proprietor of the New Arlington Hotel, is perhaps, besides being a successful hotel manager, the best known steamboat man in the State. He knows every creek and bend in the river from its mouth to its source, and the intricate windings of the famous Ocklawaha are to him as familiar as the path from his house to the front gate.—St. Augustine Record.

The Episcopal Sunday School Christmas entertainment was held in the Guild Hall last Friday night. A large, handsome tree was heavily laden with gifts of every description, the distribution of which to the little ones by a "real" Santa Claus was greatly enjoyed and appreciated by them, also remembrances. The exercises were a very pleasing and appropriate feature of the festive occasion.

Dr. G. Goldstein, the eminent Louisville optician, is located at the Graham Hotel for a few days only. The Doctor is skilled in his profession to a marked degree, and has every appliance known to optical science to determine all forms of defective sight and remedy same with scientifically adjusted glasses. Those requiring the services of an expert eye specialist should call on Dr. Goldstein at the Graham Hotel immediately. See card elsewhere.

Card of Thanks.  
We, the members and officers of Mt. Taber Baptist Church, return our thanks to the Wilson Cypress Company for their gift. They shall have our prayers for their prosperity; may this add thousands to their treasure. Wm. Bell, Pastor.

Attention K. of P.  
All members of St. Johns Lodge K. of P. are earnestly requested to be present at Castle Hall at 7:30 Thursday evening, January 9th, to march in a body to the Public Installation at the Armory. Visiting Knights in the city are welcome and urged to be present also.

W. M. CURRY, C. C.  
J. B. DONNELLY, K. of R. & S.

Stockholder's Meeting.  
The annual meeting of the Shareholders of the Putnam National Bank of Palatka, Florida, will be held Tuesday, January 14, 1902, at their banking rooms in the city of Palatka, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., for the election of directors for the ensuing year.

T. B. MERRILL, Cashier.  
December 19th, 1901.

Monte Cristo To-Night.  
To-night at Fry's opera house Mr. Edwin Southern and his excellent company will present the celebrated melo-drama "Monte Cristo." An exchange says that to say the play was fine would not be saying enough for company or players. We have seen this beautiful play in Chicago, presented by Mr. James O'Neil, who has a national reputation in this play, and we unhesitatingly say that as it was presented by Mr. Edwin Southern in this city last night equaled it in every particular. The costumes and scenic effects were grand, and the company a superb one.

K. of P. Elect Officers.  
The semi-annual election of officers of St. Johns Lodge No. 8 K. of P. was held last Thursday night, with the following result:

Frank D. Wattles, C. C.  
Louis A. Smith, V. C.  
Hovell A. Davis, P.  
W. M. Curry, M. of W.  
Jos. H. Houghton, M. of E.  
W. S. Burdette, M. of E.  
J. B. Donnelly, K. of R. & S.  
L. C. Stephens, M. at A.  
J. B. Donnelly, J. S. Purley and G. C. Estes, Grand Lodge Representatives.

Public installation of above officers at the Guards armory next Thursday night at 8 o'clock. A ball will follow with orchestra music.

Four hundred invitations have been issued to the public and members of the order residing in other cities. No formal invitations were addressed to members of St. Johns Lodge, or their families, in the city, as they, of course, are supposed to be present without urging.

Stockholders' Meeting.  
Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Wilson Cypress Company of Palatka, Fla., for the year 1902, will be held at the office of the Company in Palatka, Fla., at 10 o'clock a. m. on Wednesday, February 5th, 1902, for the election of Directors and such other business as may come before the meeting.

F. H. WILSON, Sec.  
Palatka, Fla., Jan. 2, 1902. td

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## FLORAHOME NEWS LETTER.

Correspondence Palatka Advertiser.

The Christmas evening services at the school house were a great success. At one end of the room a large stage had been constructed, and the whole house was abundantly decorated with palms, pine boughs and palm-branches. At the east end of the stage a tall Christmas tree stood loaded with presents, strings of popcorn, and shining ornaments, and lighted brilliantly with a multitude of colored candles. At the base of the tree were large piles of candy bags, oranges and apples. One hundred and forty people by count filled the house almost to overflowing, jostled each other good naturedly in the crowded aisles, and clapped and laughed at the various numbers of the program, which was that of the International Sunday School bureau. The children who took part entered zealously into the spirit of the occasion, and sang their songs and spoke their pieces with as little hesitation as afterward they investigated the contents of various packages. Some disappointment was felt over the fact that on account of the hard sleighing this side of Tennessee, Santa Claus had to send word that he would be able to get here on time, but E. O. Long was delegated to take his place and sing his songs and managed to put on a pretty good counterfeit with his snowy beard and long fur coat. There was an apple, an orange and a bag of candy for every one present and more for those at home not able to attend.

The annual Christmas dinner was held in the school house on Christmas day at 12 o'clock. The attendance was not so large as was anticipated because of the number who preferred to have their dinners at home, but eighty people sat down to the long tables, and, as those who had to wait for the second tables said, "ate and ate and ate." This is the third Christmas dinner that has been set for the colonists, and those who took part at the first are pleased to call it the "old settlers' picnic." On each occasion the skies have smiled their sunniest and pleasantest, and this occasion was no exception. During the week the temperatures have been in the 60's and 70's, doors and windows stand open, and coats are generally discarded by the men folks.

The holiday was celebrated by a series of ball games in the park that went on uninterruptedly most of the day. Sedate and dignified men were lured into the game of their youthful days and pounded the ball, slid to bases and fanned the air in boyish enthusiasm.

A number of social gatherings at various homes, took place on Christmas night. Trees for the young folks, candy pulls and games gave pleasant and merry sport.

At Fry's Opera House.

Next Tuesday night "Other People's Money" will be presented by Mr. Leroy and his company of fine comedians. Don't fail to see it.

Union Week of Prayer Services.

The pastors of the Baptist, Methodist and Presbyterian churches respectfully and affectionately invite the Christian people of Palatka to the observance of the week of prayer of the Evangelical Alliance, January 5-12, 1902. A union service of prayer will be held each evening at 7:30 o'clock, at the above named churches in turn, beginning Monday, January 6, and closing Saturday, January 11, 1902.

"At the cry of the Mahometan muezzin from the minaret and the hour of prayer," some one says, "every follower of the False Prophet, whether in the desert, on board ship, in the city or the field, suspends his labor, his pleasures and even his griefs, and casts himself upon his knees in prayer." And surely the followers of the Saviour of the world will heed the call to prayer from our country, the nations, the churches for Christian missions, the family and the school and for the coming of Christ's kingdom!

The following is our schedule for the week of prayer:

Monday, Jan. 6.—"The vision of Christ." Service at Methodist church by Rev. Thos. P. Hay.

Tuesday, Jan. 7.—"Our Nation." Presbyterian church by Rev. J. S. Purley.

Wednesday, Jan. 8.—"Our churches." Baptist church by Rev. J. S. Purley.

Thursday, Jan. 9.—"Christian Missions." Service at Methodist church by Rev. Thos. P. Hay.

Friday, Jan. 10.—"The Family and Service at the Home." Service by Rev. R. L. Houghton.

Saturday, Jan. 11.—"The Coming of Christ." Service at the Baptist church by Rev. Thos. P. Hay.

Services at the homes of the following persons: Mrs. J. S. Purley, Mrs. J. H. Houghton, Mrs. F. H. Hafer, Mrs. S. J. Hilburn, Mrs. F. H. Hafer and Miss Mabry.

Press Reporter.

Now is the time to order your Fruit and Honey Cakes for the holidays at the Palatka Variety Bakery. H. THALGOTT, Prop.

Well, it's only a few weeks ere the city political cauldron will begin to bubble and those who think they would immortalize themselves serving the "dear people" in the capacity of mayor, aldermen or what not, principally the last mentioned office, will do some heroic log-rolling and wire-pulling. The field will be clear for the mayoralty aspirant, in so far as opposition emanating from the present incumbent is concerned, for he knows when he has enough and will not be an obstruction in the approaching spring. It's possible that there will be considerable antagonism between councilmanic plum-hunters in the several wards.

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ROGERO STORE, Next to Kupperbusch's,  
and have opened up the largest line of  
**HOLIDAY GOODS, TOYS, &c**  
that will be brought to Palatka this year.  
NEW GOODS. NEW STORE. NEW PRICES But Lower than Ever.  
**CHAS. E. ROWTON.**

Just Like "Our Bob."

Editor Palatka Advertiser.

Standing on the walk leading to the Washington monument in the Capitol City, were three students of Washington and Lee University from Florida and a distinguished looking gentleman recognizable at a glance as a Congressman. They were about to part, for the day had been spent in visiting Uncle Sam's places of business, including his "white" dwelling and the honored host there. The Congressman took a car for home, the students walked leisurely towards the monument, the Congressman the subject of their thoughts. One of them said, "He is a brilliant gentleman, I like him much;" another said, "I never met him before to-day, seems as though I have known him ten years;" the third said, "Yes, boys, he deserves all your remarks; he has not a superior in the State of Florida; I have learned many lessons from him. Do you remember him assisting an old lady off the car to-day, and catching a hat the wind was tossing down the street, the appreciative looks of the old lady and the thanks of the man? I could have caught that hat, it passed me first—I will catch the next one." The Congressman represents the Second District of Florida.

ONE OF THE STUDENTS.

Woman's Fortnightly Club.

The seventh regular meeting of the Woman's Fortnightly Club was held Friday afternoon Dec. 27th at their club rooms, Mrs. A. S. Willard presiding in the absence of the president, Mrs. R. F. Adams.

After the reading of the minutes, the question of having a course of lectures here was laid before the club, and after ascertaining the number of tickets that could be sold, it was decided that a course would be secured, the lecturer and topics to be determined later by the executive committee.

A very favorable report was made by Mrs. F. C. Cochrane of the work of the philanthropic department in the distribution of provisions among the poor on Christmas day.

After the roll call, to which 24 members responded, the meeting was placed in charge of the literary committee, Mrs. J. H. Houghton chairman, assisted by Mrs. S. J. Hilburn, Mrs. F. H. Hafer and Miss Mabry.

The program for the afternoon was the reading of two reciprocity papers: "Vibrations," Miss Anna L. Jensen, Jacksonville—Mrs. J. H. Houghton, and "Ancient Itinerant Singers," Mrs. Edith Stoner, Jacksonville—Mrs. F. H. Hafer.

Mrs. S. J. Hilburn read an interesting article from the pen of Rev. W. A. Bartlett, of Lowell, Mass., on the "Value of Music in the development of character."

The humorous story, "Ruggles' Dinner Party," by Miss Mabry, was greatly enjoyed by those present.

At the conclusion of this entertaining program, the club adjourned to meet again on January 10th.

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